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*Please read this important message from Gilbert Community Schools*

4.1.2020

Here is the latest COVID-19 update from the Gilbert Community School District:

Officially, we've been at this for a week and a half, it's hard to say how much longer this will last. We do not have an official message from the Governor on heading back April 13th, but the Iowa Dept. of Education (DE) guidance looks as if we are preparing for a longer closure.

- DE [FAQ document](#) from Thursday the 26th
- DE [guidance](#) from Friday the 27th

We are following the guidance as it is written so far, but the guidance is changing. Voluntary Enrichment Learning Opportunities vs. Required Educational Services are what all districts are waiting to learn more about. Our options are open and we are waiting to see the template and more guidance from the Iowa Dept. of Education. Our goal is to do what is best for our students. We are going to continue providing resources for families, these resources will be updated weekly (here is the [link](#)). This link is also located on our district website. See photo below:

Effective Tuesday, March 17, 2020 all school buildings, events and activities are cancelled through April 12, 2020 per Governor Reynolds' recommendation. Please contact the District Office at 232-3740 if you have any questions.

Learning Resources

On the website, click the Blue Learning resources button, you will be taken to The GilbertCSD's COVID-19 Updates page.

Once there, you will find all our resources and updated messages. Look for:

- NEW! Parent/Student Resources tab.

This is a One-Stop-Shop for all grade levels and courses. Some families have asked for guidance on how much time to spend on course work. You will find some sample schedules of what a day at home could look like. These are just suggestions. You know best what will work for your family.

As stated above, these resources will be updated weekly by teachers. They are optional for students but are highly suggested. If you have questions or are not sure how to access something please let us know.

We are here to support you. If you haven't filled out the [Community Needs Survey](#), please do so.

Right now the most important thing to remember is:

“Take care of each other, take care of yourself, and let others take care of you”

Here at Gilbert we are working hard for:

Every Family. Every Day.